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HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
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CSR Funds
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is promoting Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives in Central Public Sector Enterprises and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of CSR funds allocated and utilised by Public Sector Enterprises during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) : Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) is the nodal Department for Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) but does not have any CPSE under its direct administrative control. These CPSEs are administratively controlled by various Ministries/ Departments of Government of India.
The provisions of Companies Act, 2013 on CSR applicable to the CPSEs came into effect from 1st April, 2014. As per statutory provisions of CSR contained in Section 135 of Companies Act, 2013, CPSEs qualifying the threshold limits are mandated to spend 2% of their average net profits made during three immediately preceding financial years on CSR activities enumerated in Schedule-VII of the said Act.
DPE has organised more than 10 Seminars / Workshops on CSR during the last three years for sensitizing senior executives of CPSEs to create awareness on CSR provisions, methodologies / mechanisms adopted to implement CSR in CPSEs, and also to maintain transparency in the selection of activities under CSR and challenges faced in the implementation process.
In addition, a 'CSR Fair' was organised by DPE from 4th to 6th May, 2017 at New Delhi where more than 80 CPSEs and many NGOs had participated to showcase their CSR activities. Eight theme based seminars focused on Sports, Swachh Bharat, Skill Development, Incubation of New Technology, Health & Nutrition Initiatives, Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Heritage were also organised during the Fair.
(b): During year 2014-15, DPE had collected information from CSR eligible CPSEs on expenditure incurred by them on undertaking CSR activities. Information furnished by 120 CPSEs is given at Annexure-I.
As per Public Enterprises (PE) Survey 2015-16 laid in both Houses of Parliament, information furnished by 106 CPSEs with regard to profit status, allocation made for CSR and expenditure incurred on CSR activities during the year 2015-16 is given at Annexure-II. Information for 2016-17 will be available as and when PE Survey for 2016-17 is finalized.
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